Executive Broclamation State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Carthage, South Dakota, the second largest town in Miner County, was first settled by J. Windedahl, R. Miller and G. Opsal, three Norwegian travelers who dreamed of prosperity and comfort along the banks of the Redstone Creek; and,

WHEREAS, Carthage, first named Mabel after the baby girl of Martin Satter, was later called Franklin, and finally received its present title when Frank B. Ward, an entrepreneur from Carthage, New York, named it in honor of his home town; and,

WHEREAS, The town's first newspaper, Our Prairie Home, which was first published in June of 1883 in an improvised print shop--a hayloft of a barn, included this quote from an early issue: "The beauty of our location, the magnificient surrounding country . . . will make Carthage . . . one of the most famous towns of southern Dakota. Nothing stands in the way of a bright future"; and,

WHEREAS, It was Charles Couglin, the son of one of Carthage's first successful businessmen, who on the twentieth anniversary of his graduation from State College in Brookings (now known as SDSU), gave honor to his town and to his state by presenting his alma mater with the well-known campanile and chimes, valued at \$75,000; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Coughlin's generosity is exemplary of the high-caliber people who make up the town of Carthage, a community that is proudly celebrating its one hundredth birthday this summer; and,

WHEREAS, The strength, determination, and pride that put Carthage on the map a century ago is the same spirit that is alive today all over this great state, and it is something in which all our citizens can take pride:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 3, 1982, as

CARTHAGE CENTENNIAL DAY

in South Dakota

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Scal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Third Day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Two